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# ADMIRAL YARNELL URGES U.S. ENTRY INTO WAR

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### JAPANESE PUZZLED BY FUSS!

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

A spokesman of the Japanese consulate-general in New York declared yesterday that Japan and the Netherlands East Indies would soon announce a reciprocal trade agreement which would alleviate considerably the Far East situation.

"The agreement," he said, "will be of mutual benefit to Japan and the East Indies. The United States will not suffer by it."

In regard to U.S.-Japan relations the spokesman said "every problem can be settled over the conference table."

The scrap-iron embargo was an unfriendly act but everything could be settled amicably.

Japan's treaty with Italy and Germany was not aimed at the United States. British papers have said it was but that is pro-

## INCREASE IN ARMY FAMILY ALLOWANCES

A general increase in rate allowances for families and dependents of men in the three fighting Services with effect from the first payment in November, was announced by Mr. Anthony Eden, in the House of Commons yesterday.

The increase is 1/- in the case of a wife, 8d each for the first two children, 2/- for the third child and 1/- for each other child in the family.—Reuter.

The spokesman said there was "no necessity" for the State Department to order Americans to leave the Orient, and insisted that "no harm" threatens them.

—International News Service.

## POINTERS OF PRUDENCE ?

### JAPAN MINIMISES IMPORTANCE OF BURMA ROAD

DISCUSSING THE BURMA ROAD QUESTION THE "JAPAN TIMES" SAYS: "THE ADVANCE OF JAPANESE TROOPS IN INDO-CHINA AND THEIR NEWLY WON AIR BASES THERE, HAVE FUNDAMENTALLY ALTERED THE SITUATION AS REGARDS THE POSITION OF THE BURMA ROUTE AS A CHANNEL OF MILITARY SUPPLIES."

"This patent fact must be as well known in London and Washington, for that matter, as in Tokyo."

Pointing out that British and American attempts to apply economic pressure against Japan have never been successful in changing her policy of constructing a new "order," the newspaper doubts that such steps will be successful now.

Foreign statesmen who still think Japan will be brought to her knees by throttling her economic arteries and the feeding of her economic and industrial system, are ignorant of the change that has been brought internationally or the temper of opinion prevailing in this coun-

## Fleet Capable Of Handling Anything In The Pacific

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

ADMIRAL HARRY YARNELL, FORMER COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE U.S. FLEET IN FAR EASTERN WATERS, DECLARED IN A SPEECH AT PHILADELPHIA YESTERDAY THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL NOT BE "FRIGHTENED" OUT OF THE FAR EAST.

He said the Italo-German-Japanese alliance was "intended to scare us from shifting the balance either in Europe or Asia."

To meet Japanese wishes we will have to get out of the Far East lock, stock and barrel.

"I do not believe the Government or people of the United States will agree to be ejected summarily from any part of the world."

"If we are going to help the remaining free nations we must be prepared for an alternative war."

Admiral Yarnell told a gathering of the Junior Board

of Commerce and the Naval Reserve Officers' Association: "We can't support a nation with everything short of war, and stop there."

The U.S. Navy, he declared, was "equal to anything in the Pacific," but predicted that war with Japan would be attrition with the two fleets probably not meeting in full battle.—International News Service.

## Lupescu Villa Turned To Profit

The luxurious villa of Madame Lupescu, mistress of ex-King Carol of Rumania, in Bucharest's most fashionable suburb has become a show place under Iron Guard supervision.

Legionaries act as conductors and show curious crowds over the villa at about 6d a head on behalf of "Legionary winter help funds."

Members of the public are able to inspect Madame Lupescu's boudoir, her autograph books, and photographs, many of which bear the signatures of well-known statesmen, and four gramophones on which ex-King Carol and Lupescu played their favourite records together.

When the flat of Lupescu's brother was searched recently by the police, a hole in the wall was discovered containing four million lire.

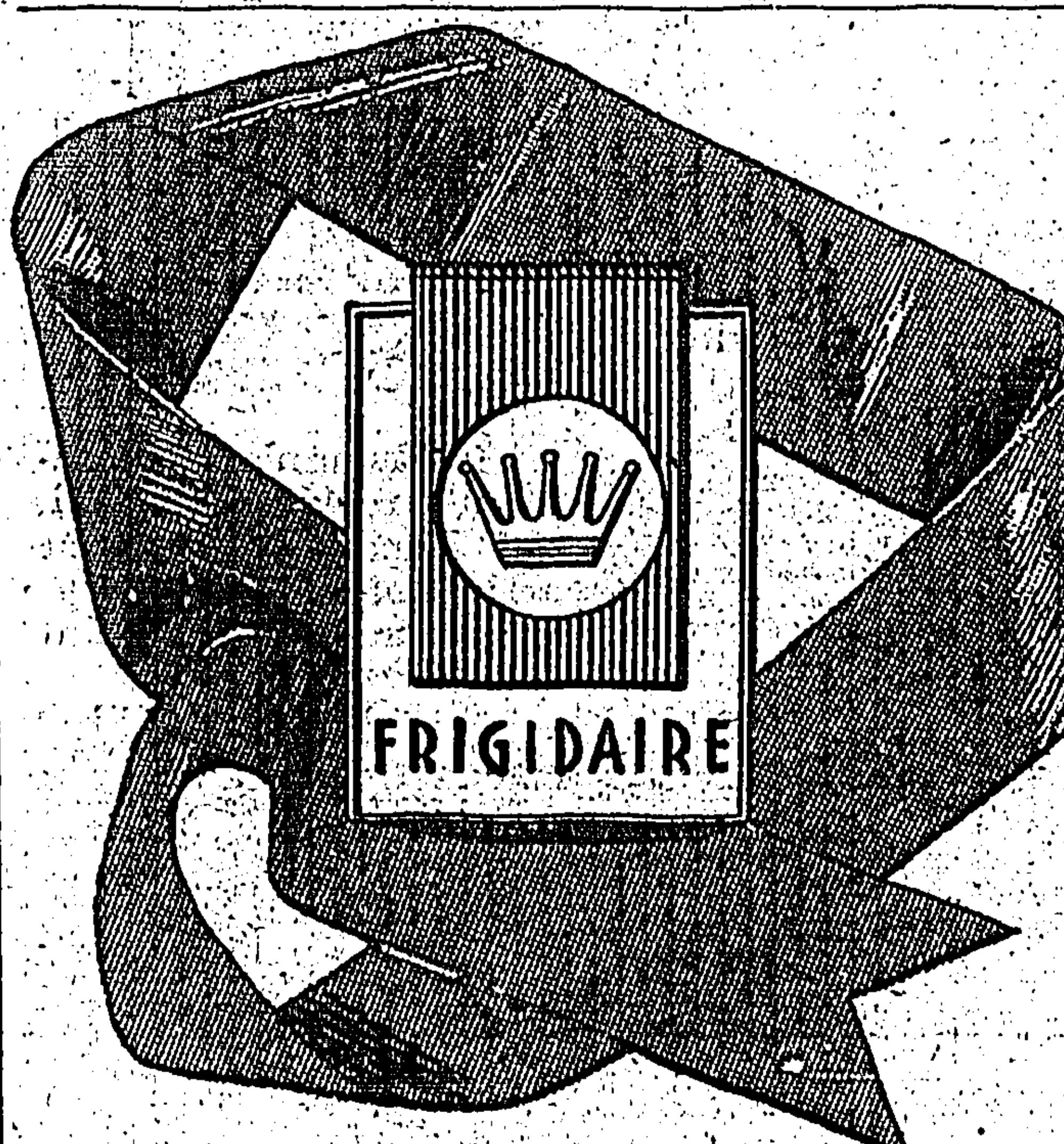
The brother is alleged to have confessed the money was given him by his sister the night before her departure from Rumania with Carol. The money was confiscated.—Reuter.

## NOBODY KNOWS

The United States Fleet in the Pacific is immediately to be brought up to full strength by the addition of about 4,200 men.

This was revealed by Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of Navy, at his press conference in Washington yesterday.

Asked whether he agreed with the newspaper prediction that the United States might be at war with Japan in a fortnight, Col. Knox gave the prompt reply "No," adding, "I do not think anybody knows." In reply to another question Col. Knox said there were no orders which would materially change the status of the American Fleet or the United States Marines in the Far East.



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## Japan's Plight If She Jockeys Herself Into War

### NAZI LOOT SEIZED AT BERMUDA

Five hundred French paintings and drawings worth several hundred thousand pounds sterling, despatched from Lisbon to the United States by a man suspected of being a German agent, have been seized by the British authorities at Bermuda, according to a report received in London from New York.

The paintings and drawings have been detained as enemy exports and include works of Renoir, Cezanne, Gauguin, Degas, Monet, Manet and Picasso.—Reuter.

### COURT CIRCULAR SOCIETY NO MORE

Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, and the British Trade Unions leader, met with a great reception yesterday when he addressed the annual congress of Unions.

The British Labour Movement, he said, at the blackest moment in history came forward and helped by voluntarily foregoing its standing trade rights.

Labour claims a share in the working out of the destiny of the nation, and in the new methods for the future.

Steps are being taken, he went on, to see that the diplomatic service moves in this new environment and that the limited Court Circular society is gone for good.

In the future, there must be more freedom in the hitherto exclusive Government service.

If a secondary school boy can give the country in a Spitfire, the same boy can be trained to produce the new world.—Reuter.

### PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES

Well-informed quarters in Peking consider that the United States' decision to ask American citizens in the Far East, especially women and children, to consider the advisability of returning home, to be nothing more than a precautionary measure similar to the British evacuation of women from Hong Kong.

A confidential United States Embassy circular is understood to inform that the U.S. Government is adopting the same attitude regarding the withdrawal of its regarding from China as has been adopted in the case of disturbed countries in Europe.—Reuter.

### CAMBRIDGESHIRE AND ST. LEGER

It is hoped to run the Cambridgeshire at a special race meeting at Nottingham on November 27. The fate of the St. Leger substitute is doubtful.—Reuter.

### Powerful Anglo-American Weapons

AN ALMOST DESPERATE ECONOMIC SITUATION IS THOUGHT LIKELY IN LONDON AUTHORITATIVE CIRCLES TO CONFRONT JAPAN IF SHE IS SO UNFORTUNATE AS TO FIND HERSELF FORCED INTO WAR AGAINST THE DEMOCRACIES.

Inconvenient as the various United States measures hitherto directed at Japan's economy may have been, they would be trifling compared to the full-blooded economic war which both Britain and the United States would be in a position to wage if necessary.

### IF JAPAN INSISTS

The British people in Singapore, and in the Far East in general, welcome the news that the Burma Road is to be opened next week. The opening of the road has the approval of the Governments of Canada and Australia.

Commenting on the news, the Singapore paper "Straits Times" said yesterday that although the possibility of war with Japan must be faced clearly, Japan does not want war.

All she wants is to get out of her present position in the war with China.

"If Japan insists on war, it must be war and the end of all Japanese ambitions in the Far East," the paper continues.

The paper suggests an embargo on all rubber, tin and iron ore shipments from Malaya to Japan, similar to that in Canada cancelling all permits for shipments to countries outside the British Empire and the United States.—Reuter.

### BRITISH LEGATION CABLES MISSING

The Rumanian Government's reply to the British demarche about the arrival of German troops is indefinite to the point of evasiveness.

Rumania has assured Britain that no German troops are in the country. If this assurance can be relied upon beyond doubt, there is no immediate risk of any rupture in Anglo-Rumanian relations.

But the whole matter is still very largely open to question.

Twelve telegrams sent recently by the British Legation — some in code, some in plain language — have not yet arrived at their destinations, it is reliably learned.

It is also significant that the former headquarters of the Rumanian Palace Bodyguard is now being prepared as headquarters for German troops, who are to "instruct" the Rumanian Army.—Reuter.

Japan is notoriously short of foreign exchange while the maintenance of her existing stock position is realised to be entirely dependent upon her ability to maintain her export trade to various centres at present friendly disposed towards her and which in the event of war with such centres would certainly become closed to her.

The question is asked, what would happen to the important Japanese silk export trade if the United States and other markets were unavailable, while the equally important Japanese cotton "piece-goods" trade is known to depend largely on the goodwill of the British Empire market and the willingness of India and the United States to send Japan shipments of cotton.

#### Doubly Vulnerable

The outbreak of war would certainly make it impossible for Japan to acquire copper from Canada or United States controlled mines.

Japan's position is thus vulnerable from both the importing and exporting angles.

In any case the fact that since the outbreak of war no shipments of nickel, cobalt or tungsten have reached Japan from British sources is viewed in authoritative British circles as a possible indication of how Japan might fare in the event of an extension of such procedure.

At the same time it can be stated that no ferro-alloys or other such commodities needed in the British war effort have reached Japan for a long time.

Japanese imports of iron ore from India are continuing at the present time and their essential nature to Japan's war economy is fully appreciated.

#### Almost Inconceivable

Japan, however, is receiving about half her normal jute imports from India.

Considering all the circumstances, it is thought in authoritative British circles to be almost inconceivable that Japan, realising the situation in which she would inevitably find herself if engaged in war with the British Empire or the United States, could be so ill-advised to take such a step.—Reuter.

### MR. CHURCHILL'S FRANKNESS

The American press yesterday praised Mr. Winston Churchill for his frankness in his statement.

As the "New York Times" put it, he "refused to treat the people like children and they are responding gallantly."

The papers comment favourably on his determination to tell the people the truth regarding the position and the prospects.

Reuter.



V.C. AT THE PALACE. Captain H. Marcus Ervine-Andrews (East Lancs. Regt.) who was awarded the V.C. for his gallantry near Dunkirk, at the Palace with his wife for the investiture. (Copyright, Fox.)

### CHINESE MINISTER ON FAR EAST CRISIS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

"A WAR BETWEEN the United States and Japan would result in the crushing of Japan and the liberation of China," Mr. Oong Wen-hao, Chinese Minister of Economics, told Havas in Chungking yesterday.

Mr. Oong added: "My personal opinion is that the present situation calls for an improvement in Russo-American relations. A hostile Russia would force Japan to maintain a large body of troops in Manchuria."

Referring to the economic situation, Mr. Oong declared the main problem confronting the Chinese Government to-day was the prevention of rising prices despite the fact that only a small group of people — those receiving fixed salaries — are suffering from present conditions.

Closure of the Indo-China and Burma routes had resulted in higher transport costs and indirectly boosted commodity prices.

Hoarding and profiteering still existed despite the Government's strenuous efforts to eliminate such practices.

#### Loan To China

Re-opening of the Burma highway would go far towards lowering the price of consumer goods while still sterner repression of profiteering would also contribute to keep up normal prices.

The US\$25,000,000 American loan to China would also have a salutary effect on the Chinese economy as the Chinese could use it for stabilising the national currency.

Another major problem, he said, was industrialisation, which he admitted was seriously hampered by Japanese air raids. He added, however, that the production of industries removed from the occupied zones would average \$300,000,000 this year.—Havas.

### COBRA ENTERING THE AIR WAR

ONE OF THE LATEST TYPES OF AMERICAN FIGHTER PLANES — THE AIRCOBRA — IS NOW READY FOR DELIVERY TO BRITAIN. It has a speed of 400 miles an hour and carries one cannon and four machine-guns.—Reuter.

# Head Master Of Famous Public School Killed In Raid

## London Hospital Patients Buried By Bomb

THE HEAD MASTER OF A FAMOUS PUBLIC SCHOOL IN THE HOME COUNTIES WAS KILLED IN YESTERDAY'S AIR RAIDS ON ENGLAND. HE WAS THE ONLY CASUALTY AT THE SCHOOL.

He was killed by blast while entering a dug-out in which all the boys were safely sheltered.

Meanwhile, the wreckage of a London hospital is still being searched for patients who were buried under a wing of the building which was demolished during Tuesday/Wednesday night by high explosive bombs.

There were over a hundred chronic invalids in the wards and the hospital staff, assisted by rescue squads, worked all through the night in intense darkness.

Following their policy of rapidly attempting to press home their attacks on London by sending over successive waves of bombers, the enemy yesterday sent large forces over the East Anglian coast, the Thames Estuary and the South-East coast, but in every case the formations were dealt with by the defences and only isolated machines managed to get through to the capital.

This was revealed by Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Minister of Health, in a statement on the situation of those rendered homeless by air raids.

At one time, he intimated, there were 25,500 homeless people at London regional centres, but that figure had been reduced by Tuesday night to 10,500.

Mr. MacDonald explained that many people who went to the centres did so because their houses were in the neighbourhood of a time-bomb.

He added that his Ministry had more houses ready to receive the homeless than it had homeless people willing to go into them.—Reuter.

## COLONIAL WELFARE CAMPAIGN

The British colonial development scheme is to go ahead despite the pre-occupations created by the war.

Educational and social services in the Colonies are still being developed and experts from the Ministry of Labour are being sent out to ensure the benefit of orderly development of trade unionism to colonial workers.

All that will stand in the way of 100 per cent implementation of the recent far-seeing Act will be the absence of trained personnel, material diverted for war purposes and lack of shipping.

At the same time the colonies are making a great contribution to the war effort in the economic field, aided by the loss of European markets.

The finding of alternative markets with the added complication arising from the British agreement to purchase all available commodities from Free French colonies is being closely studied in conjunction with the United States and South American countries.—Reuter.

## FRENCH REFUGEES RETURN HOME

According to Berlin Radio, over 3,500,000 refugees from unoccupied France have returned to their homes in occupied France. There are another 200,000 to be returned later.—Reuter.

## ITALIAN FLEET'S CAUTION

"The superiority of the Italian Fleet doesn't allow them to go to sea," said Lord Chatfield, Admiral of the Fleet, in a speech at the Rotary Club in London yesterday, adding: "I doubt if the Italian Fleet ever will come out."

"Numbers don't count in war. What counts is efficiency."

"The British race has won all its great battles with inferior forces, both on sea and land. We shall win this war not only because we are a finer race than the Germans and Italians but because we are a greater fighting race and more adaptable to new conditions of warfare."

"We are living now at a time when we have the most wonderful young generation in our long history. The Navy has stood up to air attack exceedingly well. Not a single British battleship or cruiser has been severely damaged in this way."—Reuter.

## "QUEEN ELIZABETH" RUMOURS

The arrival of 190 British seamen in New York yesterday evoked waterfront reports that the liner "Queen Elizabeth" would soon leave New York in order to transport Australian troops to Egypt. The vessel, which has been tied up in New York since the beginning of March, is already painted grey.—Reuter.

## KRUPPS GETS HEAVY BLASTING

Shipbuilding yards at Bremen were systematically bombed for an hour and a half over their whole area during Tuesday night's attacks by the R.A.F. The docks themselves were repeatedly hit and fires started in all parts.

According to the Air Ministry news service direct hits by high explosive and incendiary bombs caused widespread fires and heavy explosions.

In the initial stage of the attack alone no fewer than 14 fires were started.

Bombers attacking the Krupps Works at Essen loosed a load after load of heavy bombs on the main buildings, causing so many fires that the report of one pilot said the whole area appeared to be ablaze.

In the meantime other British bombers were concentrating on the invasion ports and despite conditions of thick cloud the harbour at Calais was bombed continuously from 8 p.m. until after midnight.—Reuter.

## MR. LLOYD GEORGE TO ENTER THE CABINET?

THE POSSIBILITY of Mr. Lloyd George assuming office in the Churchill Cabinet is being debated in London political circles.

His name is being connected with the Ministry of Aircraft Production.

Now that the British aircraft production programme is on its upward way, speculation is based on the fact that for a number of years past, Lord Beaverbrook has not found it possible to spend the winter in Great Britain owing to asthma.

It has been noted that only a short time ago, one of Lord Beaverbrook's newspapers contained a pointed reference to this annual affliction.

Still greater speculation is aroused by any attempt to nominate a successor to so dynamic an organiser should Lord Beaverbrook decide not merely to take a winter holiday, but to leave office.

The more cautious suggest that Lord Beaverbrook's second-in-command and the former Civil Lord of the Admiralty, Colonel Llewellyn, would be a possible successor.—Reuter.

## CANBERRA AIR CRASH FINDINGS

BOTH THE MACHINE AND PILOT WERE EXONERATED AT THE COURT OF ENQUIRY IN MELBOURNE YESTERDAY INTO THE CANBERRA AIR DISASTER OF AUGUST 18 WHEN THREE AUSTRALIAN CABINET MEMBERS AND THE CHIEF OF THE AUSTRALIAN GENERAL STAFF WERE KILLED.

Most probable cause of the crash was found to be stall and consequent lack of control at a height beyond the pilot's power to control.

Mr. Justice Lowe said it was necessary to impress on pilots the stalling characteristics of such machines and the need for an ample safety factor in approaching landing grounds, particularly when encircled by hills.—Reuter.

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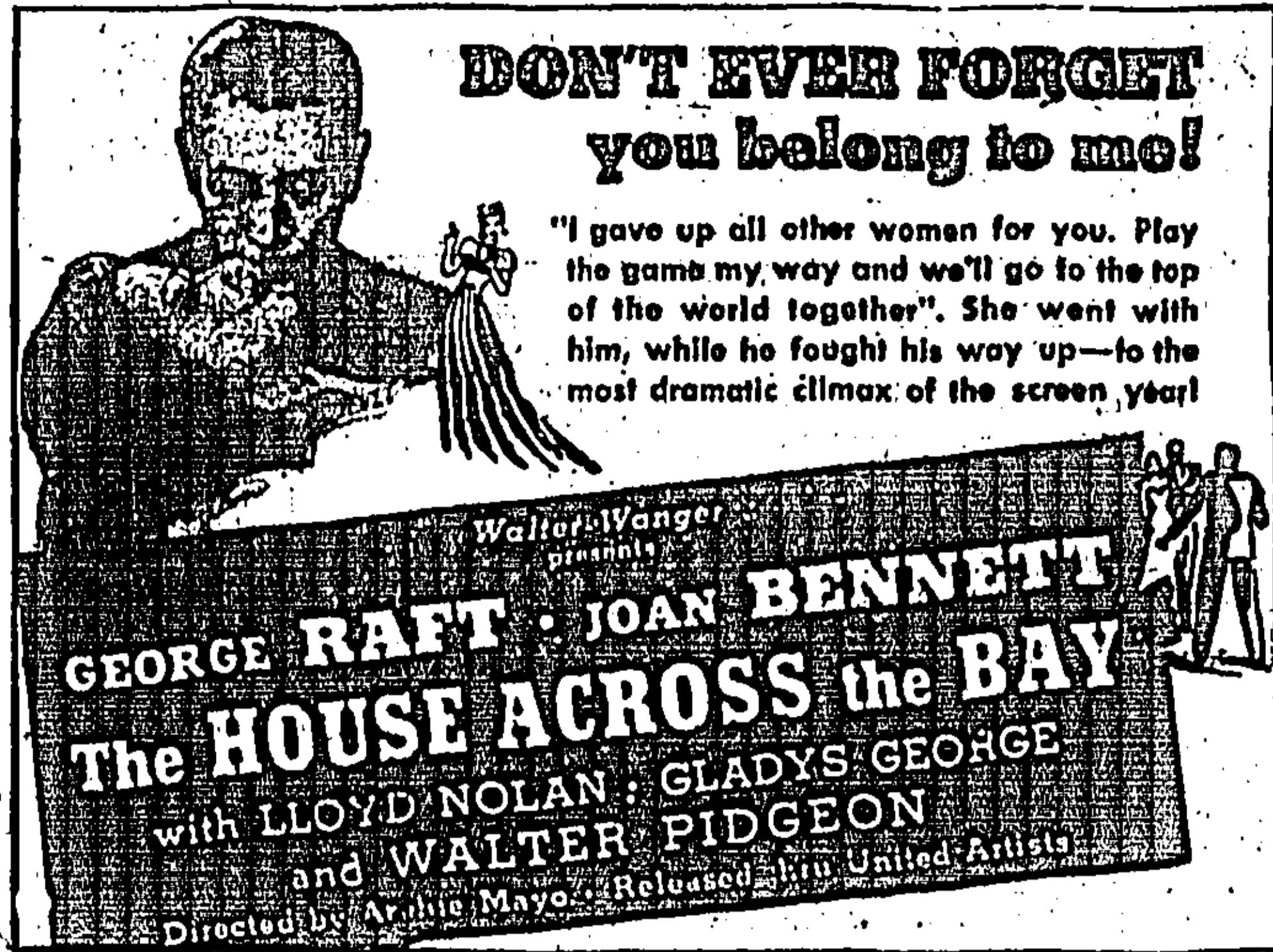
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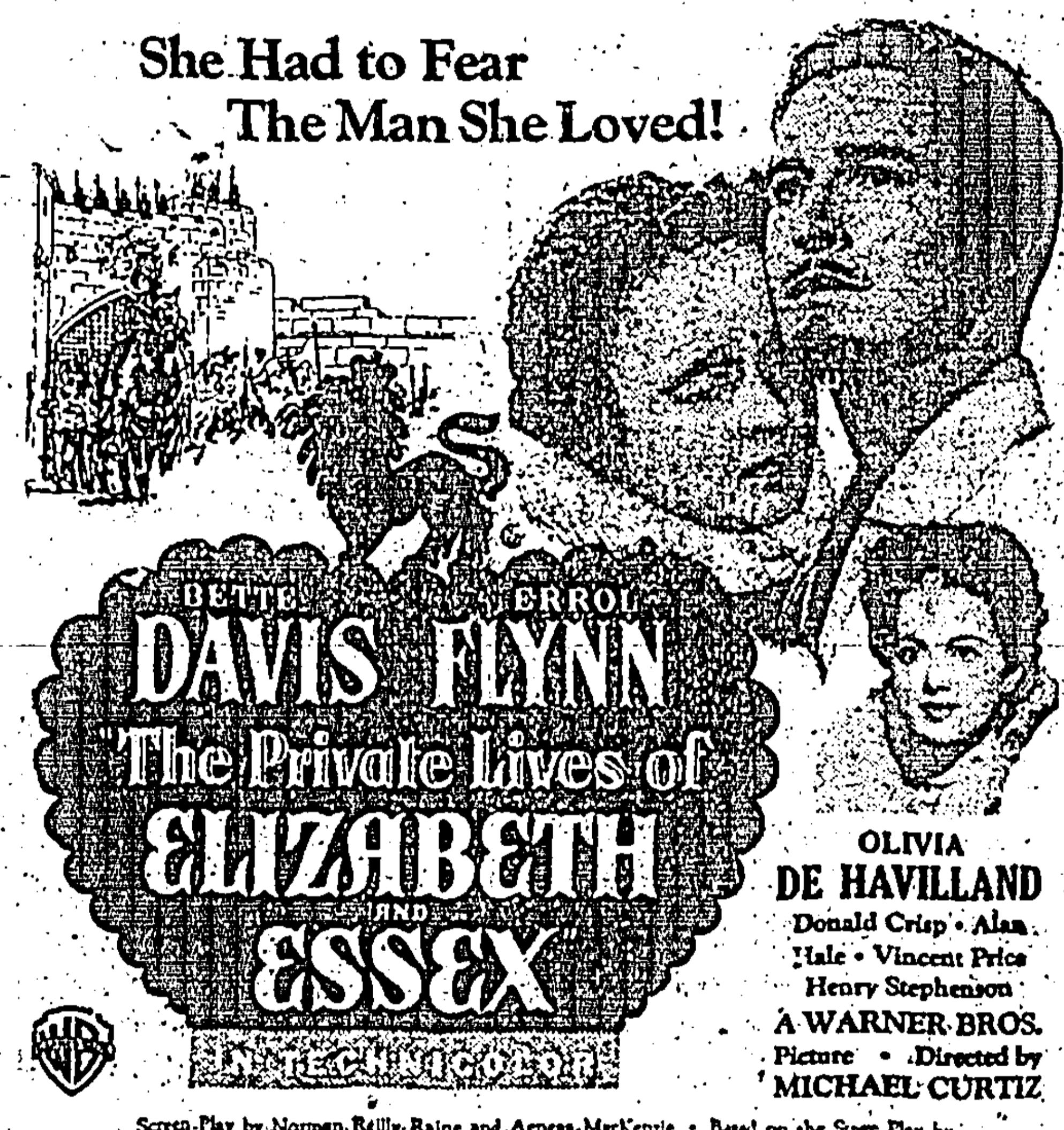
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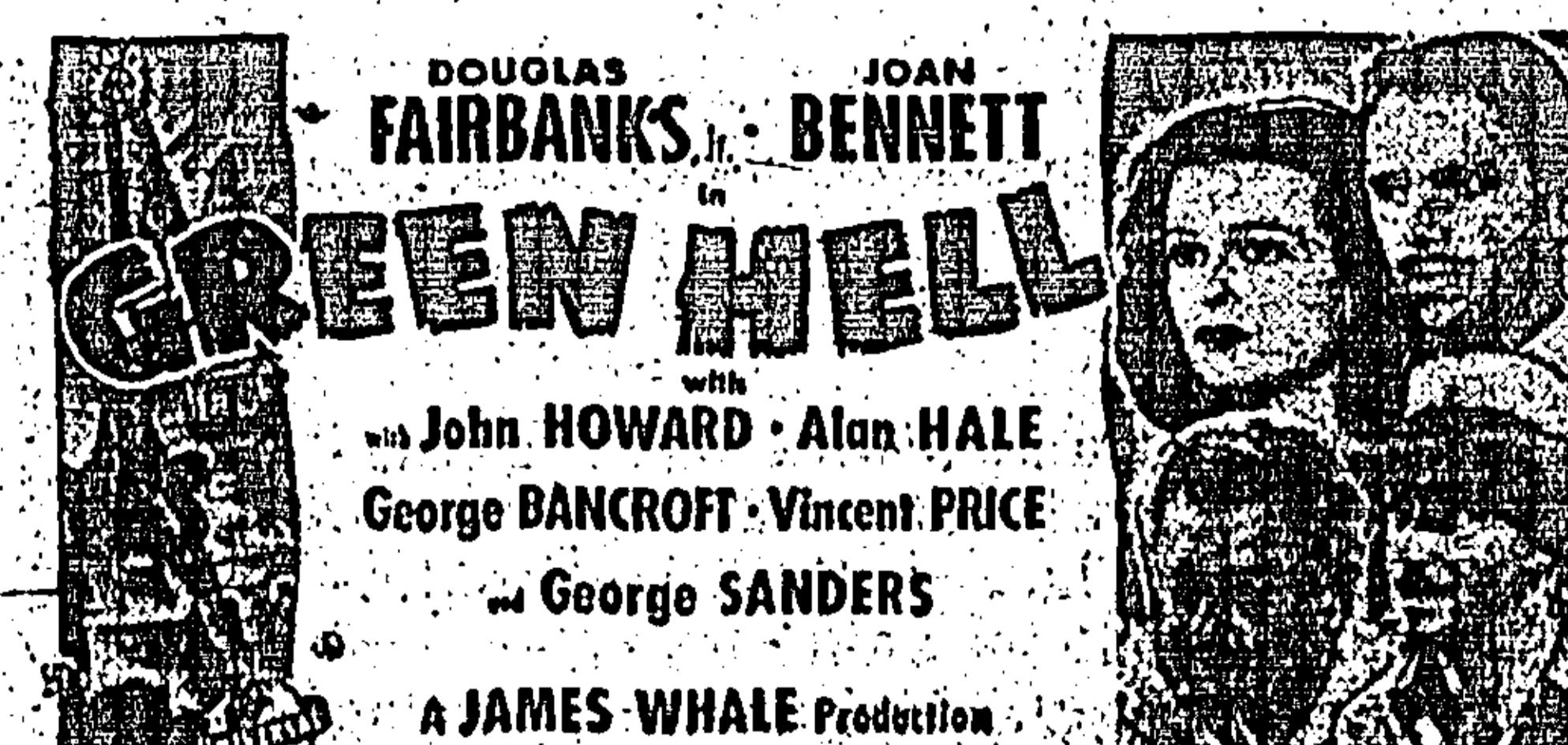
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# Chiang Kai-Shek's Double Tenth Call To Chinese People

"AS LONG AS CHINA'S resistance continues, Japan's hope of making use of the tripartite alliance will be completely frustrated," declared General Chiang Kai-shek in a message to the Chinese army and people on the eve of the anniversary of the foundation of the Chinese Republic.

After asserting that China would oppose to the end Japan's attempt to conquer East Asia, the Generalissimo declared: "Whoever to-day recognises Japan's leadership in the so-called new order in East Asia will regret their action, while any treaty concluded with Japan concerning East Asia and opposed by China will remain a mere scrap of paper."

Referring to international developments, General Chiang stated friendly powers were increasing assistance to China at the same time increasing pressure on Japan, and added:

"Japan's ambitions do not end with the conquest of China. The so-called new order in East Asia represents Japan's hope that all Pacific nations and peoples will surrender to Japanese aggression and permit Japan to become overlord of all Asia." — Reuter.

## To China's Advantage

"I once said that no matter how the international situation may change it will ultimately work to the advantage of our war of resistance. We therefore have consistently adhered to a policy of self-reliance in our struggle. The recent increased foreign assistance to China and the simultaneous application of heavier pressure upon Japan confirms my prediction. It is of the greatest significance that developments in the international situation are daily approaching the same ground whereon the objects of our resistance rest," stated the Generalissimo.

## Link Of World Issue

While admitting that China's resistance had entered on a more difficult period, he said that external circumstances were better than during the 1911 Revolution because "we are fighting an enemy who is confronted by many hostile Powers and who is on the verge of collapse." All peace-loving countries are China's friends. These countries realise that victorious, independent and prosperous China will contribute immensely to real international peace and cooperation in the world economy.

China is approaching the stage of final reckoning, but the Chinese people must recognise that the present moment calls for greater courage and further sacrifice.

"To-day our struggle has become one link of the world issue at stake. We must unify our will, consolidate our strength for establishing a sound political foundation, develop industrial enterprises, increase production and intensify creative efforts."

"The responsibility of rebuilding the Fatherland, the Orient and the world rests upon the shoulders of the present generation. Let nobody shirk his or her duty," he exhorted. — Central News.

## INDIAN PILOTS REACH BRITAIN

WHEN A PARTY OF 24 INDIAN PILOTS ARRIVED IN LONDON YESTERDAY, EACH WAS GIVEN A MESSAGE OF WELCOME FROM THE AIR MINISTER.

The messages were addressed to each individual, and concluded by saying: "We shall be proud to have you fighting by our side."

The party, includes Sikhs, Hindus and Moslems from all parts of India. — Reuter.

## LONDON STOCK MARKET QUIETER

The London Stock Exchange was quieter and irregular yesterday. Some profit-taking among industrials reduced recent gains. Rails, however, continued to strengthen and rubber and oils were firmly maintained. Wall Street was easy. — Reuter.

## CROSSING OF HUNGARY DENIED

A denial was given in authoritative Bucharest circles yesterday to reports published abroad stating that German troops had reached Rumania via Hungary.

It was declared that no formation of the German army had crossed Hungarian territory. — Reuter.

## DOUBLE TENTH IN HONG KONG

China's National Independence Day, the "Double Tenth," is being observed by the entire Chinese community in Hong Kong.

All shops, offices, schools and other Chinese organisations are closed for the day which is being marked by mass meetings, the selling of flag-emblems, processions, and parades in different parts of the Colony.

At 8.30 a.m., over 1,000 Chinese women and girls assembled at Caroline Hill, for Flag ceremony conducted by the five women's organisations in Hong Kong, and patriotic addresses were made by local woman leaders.

At 9.30 a.m., the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce held a crowded meeting.

At 10 a.m. students packed the Queen's Theatre. The Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council addressed the gathering.

This afternoon, members of the Chinese Manufacturers' Union will meet at the Luk Kwok Hotel, while at the Central Theatre a Chinese stage play will be rendered by girl-schools.

## MR. CHURCHILL TO LEAD TORY PARTY

Mr. Winston Churchill was unanimously elected leader of the Conservative Party, at a party meeting held in London yesterday. — Reuter.

## TIENTSIN SHUT-OUT

TIENTSIN IS CONFRONTED WITH A MAJOR PROBLEM NOW THAT JAPANESE REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE TRANSPORTATION AND EXAMINATION OF RAW MATERIALS FOR LIGHT INDUSTRY ARE BEING INTRODUCED.

The present situation is still not clarified but it is generally believed that a complete shut-out of the local fur export trade will result, with consequences that some 1,500 foreign fur merchants, their employees and families might be migrating to Shanghai.

Perhaps the extent of the entente issue can better be appreciated when it is recalled that the fur export trade has been quoted as high as US\$10,000,000 a year from North China. — Reuter.

## ORIENTAL THEATRE LAST 4 TIMES TO-DAY

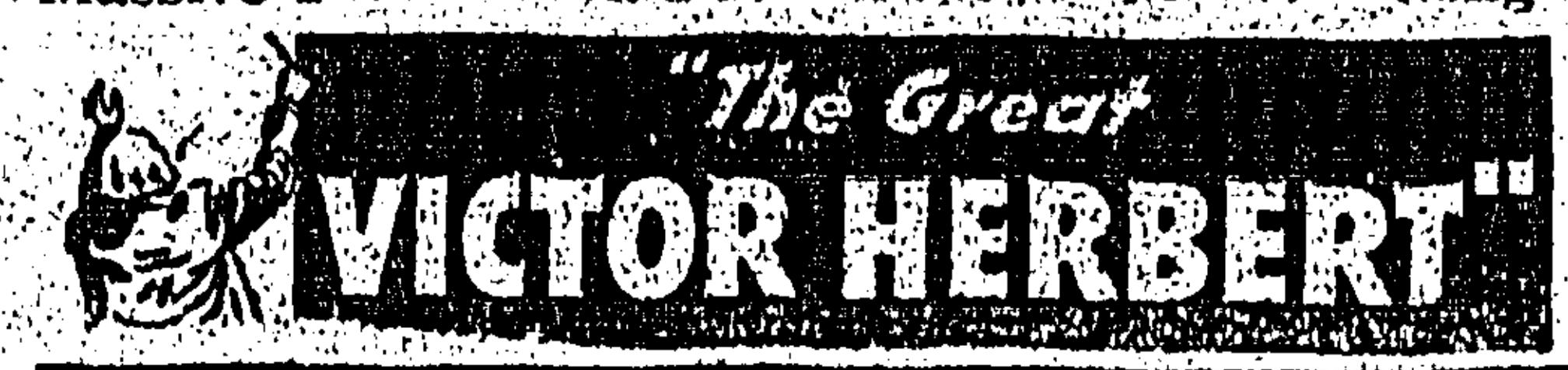
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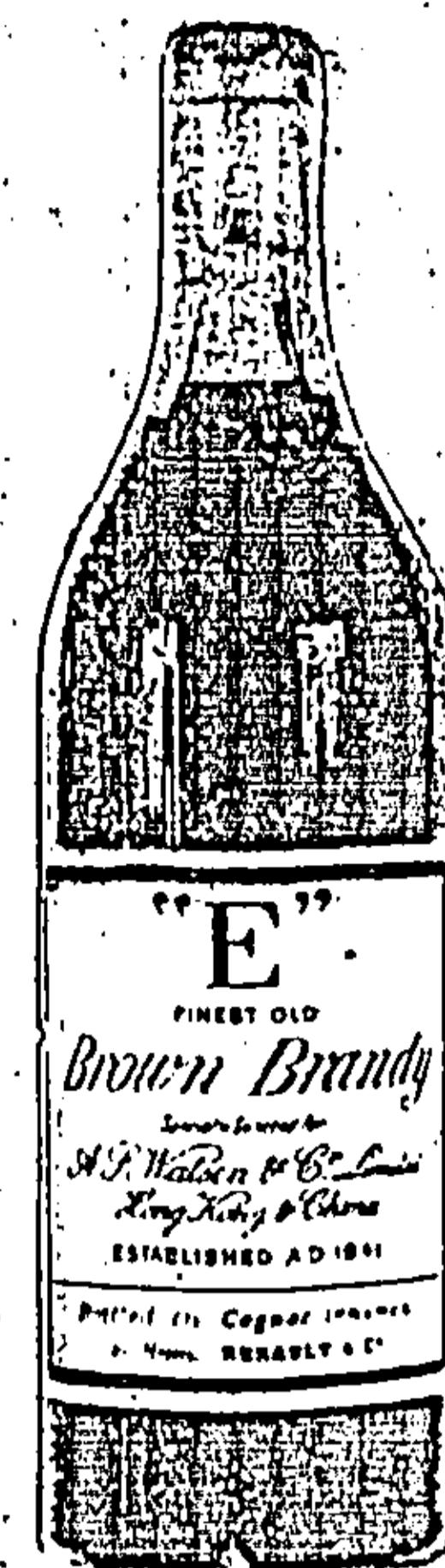


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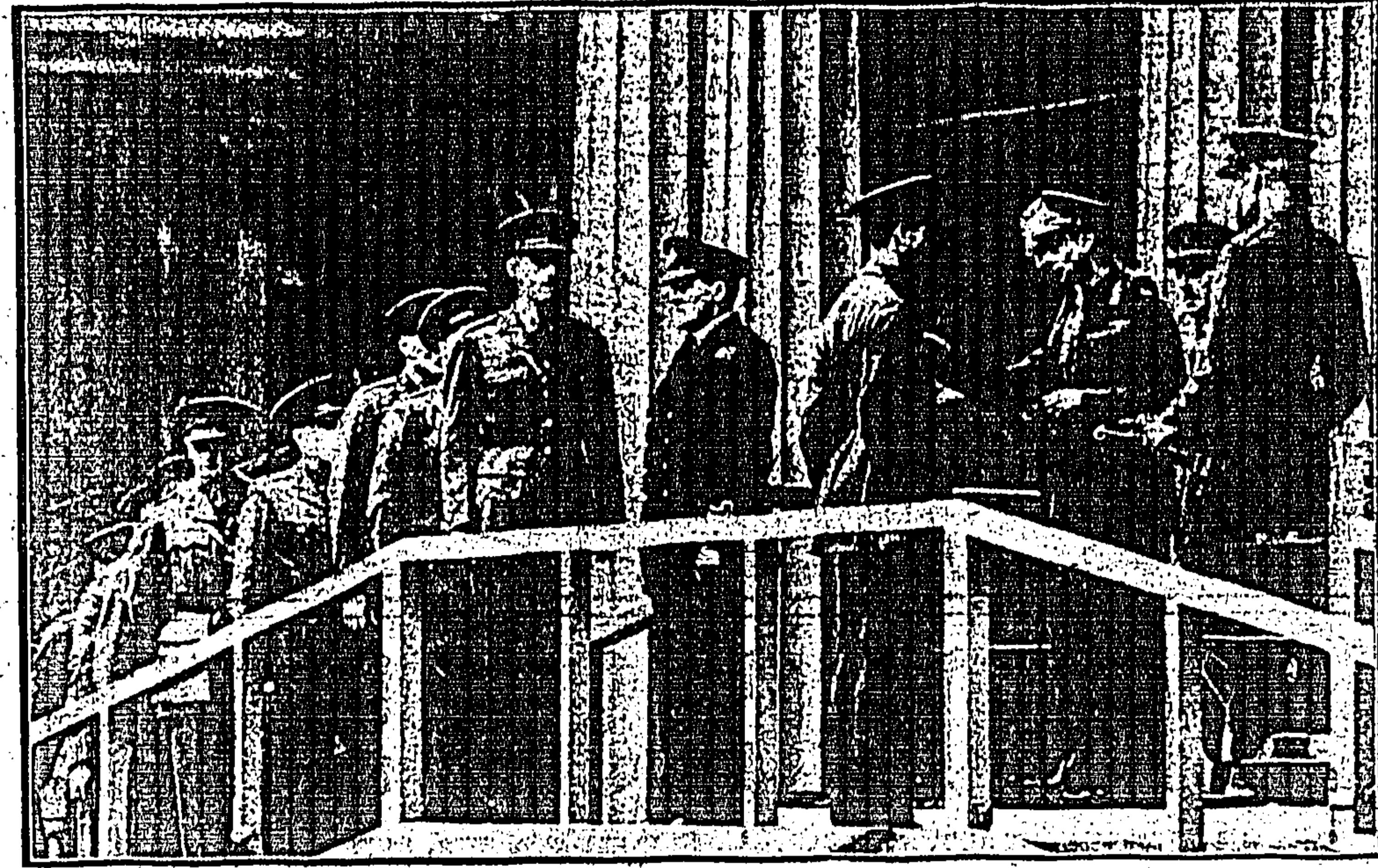


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WAR HEROES MEET KING AT THE PALACE. A number of war heroes were decorated by H.M. the King at Buckingham Palace last month. Photo shows Major Peter De Havilland receiving the O.B.E. from the King while other officers wait to receive their decorations. (Fox, Copyright).

## IN BRITAIN'S FRONT LINE

DOVER IS BUILDING a new cinema. One of Dover's biggest hotels is being redecorated. By any geographical standards the town is in the front of the front line.

Its citizens have been reminded of the fact by the number of air battles that have been fought over or within sight of its streets and by the determined — if ineffective — attacks that have been made on the harbour.

And it remembers the last war. A Nonconformist chapel here has a foundation-stone inscribed: Built 1910. Bombed 1917.

Rebuilt 1920.

But Dover not only goes about its business, it amuses itself and it shows off a bit. The Castle flies a flag. Many shops have closed; as have many hotels and private houses, but those that are open display cards that read, "Here we are and here we stay." The roller-skating rink has three "sessions" — an unhappy word for a skating rink — every day of the week. The cinemas, the music-halls are full every night.

### Not Up Against It

The town flies a barrage of balloons, there are men and women in uniform everywhere — the W.R.N.S. are the best-looking of all — and there is barbed wire along the front. The shops in the main streets have wooden shutters that are whipped into position when a warning sounds. Defensive guns and aircraft are always at the alert, as the grateful town can testify.

So, looking at Dover, you know that there is a war on, with an enemy close at hand and active. What you could not find would be and sign that Dover is damaged or that it feels up against it.

### Looking For The Damage.

In a walk around the town, I found three broken windows on the front. A local policeman told me that there were more broken up the hill. "And is that all there is to see?" I asked. "Well," he said, "there are the craters in the cornfields, but those aren't in the borough boundary."

Photographers, cine-cameramen, and journalists are here in force in case something happens.

There are Americans from all the important papers; from the broadcasting companies, from the news-reels, from "March of Time."

"Life's" cameraman took a picture of journalists at a shelter they have established on a cliff. They were grouped around a mock tombstone to the memory of "Preston" who died waiting, 1940."

Dover has made only one wartime gesture that is not true to form. The name of the town has been deleted in every poster and from every public and private building — as if the Germans should they ever get here, would not know Dover at all, or could not pull down the light boards that have been fastened over stone inscriptions.

### Garden Of England

No foreign visitor would believe this town to be the outermost bastion of a beleaguered island. All

## H.G. DID NOT PAY 1S. TOLL

The attention of Sir John Anderson, Minister of Home Security, has been drawn to the case of a Home Guard who was fined 10s. after refusing to pay a toll of a shilling to take his car along a road while on duty.

The Home Guard is Mr. Frank Morgan, company director, of Plymouth Road, Penarth, Glam.

He chose to go to gaol for seven days rather than pay the fine.

When the chairman of the Penarth magistrates announced the fine, Mr. Morgan said: "Rather than pay; I will go to gaol. It is iniquitous that this toll road should exist at such a period of national stress."

"It is not right that, when everyone is fighting for their homes, and giving freely in furtherance of the national effort, landed estates are allowed to enjoy the privileges of an Act passed in 1867 to levy tolls for their benefit."

The magistrates suspended the sentence for seven days.

### Chairman's Hint

"You may cool down by then," said the chairman to Mr. Morgan.

As Mr. Morgan left the court the chairman said: "If, after the war you raise a petition for the abolition of the toll-gate, I am sure you will receive the support of Penarth residents."

Mr. Morgan told the Court that he was a section leader in the Home Guard and had given up part of his home to accommodate other members.

He refused to pay the toll because he was on an errand of national importance.

The prosecution contended that, despite his duties, he was not exempt from payment because he was using a private car.

### Earl Is Interested

The Earl of Plymouth is interested in the company operating the toll.

Captain M. Sayer, secretary to the Earl and assistant zone commander of the Home Guard for Glamorgan, expressed surprise when his attention was drawn to the case. He said:

"The matter must be looked into immediately. I shall see that the Earl is informed."

"The road is used frequently by members of the Home Guard. If Mr. Morgan will inform his commanding officer, the matter can be taken up officially."

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## FAR EAST CRISIS

It is a safe surmise that lines of communication between Japan and the Axis powers have been getting progressively hotter in the last 48 hours. The gambler's throw into which Hitler inveigled Japan in the curious belief that the United States could be intimidated into withdrawing her horns simultaneously in the Atlantic and Pacific has been swiftly exposed as a diplomatic blunder of the first order.

As Mr. Churchill reminded Japan when announcing the decision to allow the Burma Road closure agreement to lapse, neither of the branches of the English-speaking race is accustomed to react to threats of violence by submission. The effect has, therefore, been precisely the reverse of that so neatly planned by Hitler's Little Bismarck. The United States has been stirred to a point beyond which she is prepared to stand no nonsense.

Japan may well pause and consider; and enquire of Berlin precisely what is to be the next delicate step in proceedings the dangers of which are pretty plain; may well ponder the wisdom or otherwise of making the re-opening of the Burma Road a serious issue.

Less than a fortnight since Japan's open alliance with the Axis she is compelled to assess the situation anew. The mood of the United States is unmistakable. The Burma Road decision has been communicated by the British Government despite—or even because of the pact. Now, much in advance of any moment likely to have been foreseen in Tokyo, she must weigh the exact amount of help which Italy and Germany could render to the Japanese Empire if her militarists and Matsukas insist on increasing the jeopardy of her relations with Britain and the United States.

She is as well aware as we are that for all Italy and Germany have promised, they cannot perform. That a Far Eastern crisis to-day will mean a Japan at one end of it, entirely

ON September 19 last we were threatened by a "Secret Weapon," Hitler himself telling us that: "The moment may come when we shall use a weapon which is not yet known and against which there is no defence."

Now, like a cork, it has bobbed up again, for German military leaders have said that weapons never before used will be employed against Britain.

It should be remembered that the life-history of weapons has been fairly constant, for nearly all have emerged out of secrecy.

Daily, scores of men are thinking them out; thousands are devised; few are accepted, and then generally most reluctantly; some have changed the course of history, whilst others have disappeared amidst peals of laughter.

For example, in 1887, some genius invented a new type of pack gun, and the Ordnance Committee tried it out at Woolwich Arsenal.

It was a small cannon strapped broadside on across a horse's back. The horse was tied to a post, the committee standing on one side. The fuse was lit, whereupon the horse, somewhat startled, turned round pointing the muzzle at the heads of the interested spectators. Not a moment was to be lost; down went the chairman and members, lying flat and low on their stomachs. The gun went off; the shot passed over the town of Woolwich and fell in the dockyard; the horse was found lying on its back several yards away.

It is interesting to learn that, on recovering their equilibrium, the committee reported unanimously against any further trials.

Though at first it may seem strange, yet it is logical that throughout history it is siege and not mobile warfare which has stimulated inventive genius. Thus, in the last war, no sooner was the Western Front entrenched than, as if out of a conjurer's hat, appeared first lethal gas and secondly the tank. Nevertheless, though the one surprised us and the other our enemy, the ideas behind these two weapons were nearly as old as war itself.

In modern times, gas first appears as a weapon in Admiral Lord Dundonald's "Secret Plan," which he submitted to the Government on May 12, 1812. It was turned down. Then, when we were bunkered in the Crimean War, on July 22, 1854, he resubmitted it, saying: "Were it necessary—which it is not—that I should place myself in an armchair on the poop, with each leg on a cushion, I will undertake to subdue every insular fortification at Cronstadt within four hours from the commencement of the attack, and Sebastopol could be as easily captured."

In 1908 his secret was divulged in the Panmure Papers, and from it, undoubtedly, the German General Staff developed gas warfare.

dependent upon her own slender resources.

If there is any doubt in Tokyo of America's firmness, Mr. Horinuchi will swiftly dispel it as the result of his grim interview with Mr. Cordell Hull.

The United States is not "demonstrating." The bluffing stage is past. Question is whether Japan will see any necessity for a violent show-down.

## Rocket Bomb:

## Is It The Secret Weapon?

catapults into the town in addition to 2,000 cartloads of manure.

War Ministry." Since then silence has prevailed.

No, there is precious little news in war. Therefore should Hitler really have a secret weapon up his sleeve, the likelihood is that it is the development of an old idea. What it is, I cannot say; yet I do know this:

Since the ending of the World War the Germans have been experimenting with the oldest of all explosively propelled projectiles—namely, the rocket.

In modern times, the first man to make a true weapon of this piece of fireworks was Major-General Sir W. Congreve, the idea occurring to him in 1804. He at once set to work and his war rocket was first used in the bombardment of Boulogne in 1806, when "in less than ten minutes after the first discharge, the town was discovered to be on fire."

Of it he says: "The Rocket is, in truth, an arm by which the whole system of military tactics is destined to be changed.

Nevertheless, except as fireworks, rockets disappeared from our army in 1885. Then, as I have mentioned, shortly after the last war a return was made to them, Germany becoming, as one writer informs us, "the home of rocketry" under the skilled direction of Professor Oberth.

Nothing much was heard about these trials until 1922, when the Rugen Correspondent of a London paper reported that, on November 5, "Herr Otto Fischer was shot six miles into the air within a 24ft. steel rocket and returned to earth safe and sound, though shaken . . . the demonstration was made under cover of absolute secrecy under the auspices of the German

Though the range of Congreve's rocket was no more than 3,000 yards, experts inform us that, should two difficulties be overcome, there is no theoretical reason why a rocket could not be constructed which would travel from Berlin to London, or Berlin to New York.

These two difficulties are—mobility-power and maintenance of direction. Should these be solved, then it will become possible to bombard cities by rockets carrying scores of tons of high explosives, manless projectiles which will devastate acres of built-up areas in a second.

Personally, I think that, as a stepping-stone to this war of annihilation, aircraft will be fitted with rocket-bombs, which will enable them to bombard a city without penetrating its ground anti-aircraft defences, as formerly walled cities were bombarded by cannon and mortars.

"There is," wrote an American rocketeer five years ago, "no possible doubt that militarists all over the world, with the possible exception of England, are fully alive to the tremendous possibilities of rockets in modern warfare and in the next war it will inevitably follow that rocket propulsion will be developed to the fullest extent of its destructive powers, just as happened in the Great War with the aeroplane."

Be this as it may, there is a saving clause, and every schoolboy who has played about with fireworks knows it. Like the Woolwich Arsenal horse, rockets have the unpleasant habit of sometimes turning round.



THE WAY OF AN AMERICAN EAGLE.

## SIR OSWALD MOSLEY IN PRISON

## "NO BRIDGE, SILK UNDERWEAR OR BUBBLY"

A COMPLAINT THAT a newspaper article had libellously suggested that Sir Oswald Mosley while detained in Brixton Prison was indulging in every form of dissipation was made to Mr. Justice Bennett in the Chancery Division by Mr. G. D. Roberts, K.C.

Mr. Roberts, on behalf of Sir Oswald, was moving for an injunction against Sunday Pictorial Newspapers restraining them from further publication and circulation of copies of the "Sunday Pictorial," in which the article appeared.

Mr. Justice Bennett refused the injunction in this division is made in open court; in the King's Bench

Division it would be dealt with in Chambers. It has been commenced in this court because the whole thing can be mentioned in open court with the suggestion that the article is a tissue of falsehoods.

## "Bridge And Bubbly"

The offending article, said counsel, came right at the end of the newspaper under a large type heading "Mosley in Prison; Bridge and Bubbly."

The article read:

"Fascist Leader Mosley, No. 1 "Guest" at the big house on Brixton Hill, pays £4 a week for his board and lodging.

In his long leisure hours he plays bridge with Captain Ramsay and a few of his selected lieutenants.

They play for several hundred cigarettes a week. Matches, prohibited throughout the history of gaol life, are now permitted them.

Every morning his paid batman delivers three newspapers at the door of his "master's" cell.

Breakfast, dinner and tea arrive by car. After his midday meal at 11.30 a.m. Mosley fortifies himself with alternate bottles of red and white wine daily. He calls occasionally for a bottle of champagne.

A list of Sir Oswald's purported weekly expenditure followed, and the article continued:

"Mosley still takes great pride in his appearance. He selects a different smartly cut lounge suit every week. His shirts and silk underwear are laundered in Mayfair."

## Practically A Teetotaller

Dealing with the article in detail, Mr. Roberts said it was quite untrue that Sir Oswald paid £4 a week for his "board and lodging." With regard to playing bridge, Sir Oswald, he thought, did not play bridge.

It was also untrue to say that Sir Oswald had a paid batman or that his breakfast, dinner and tea arrived by car.

There was loud laughter, in which Mr. Justice Bennett joined heartily, when Mr. Roberts called attention to the newspaper's description of Sir Oswald "fortifying himself with alternate bottles of red and white wine daily and occasionally calling for a bottle of champagne."

"It doesn't state whether the call is 'answered,'" Mr. Roberts commented. "It is entirely untrue."

"Sir Oswald is practically a teetotaller. It is untrue that he has taken wine in prison as was in the list of the weekly expenditure."

Mr. Roberts said the description of Sir Oswald's personal attire was a gross exaggeration. He did not wear silk underwear. He simply wore corduroy trousers.

At the time the article appeared Sir Oswald's appeal to the advisory committee was still under consideration. It had since been decided adversely to him.

In an affidavit Sir Oswald described the article as grossly untrue and defamatory of himself.

## No Time To Answer

Mr. G. O. Slade (for the "Sunday Pictorial") said he had had no time to answer that affidavit and he did not require to do so. He objected to the injunction from the legal aspect.

"There is only one possible reason why this matter was commenced in the Chancery Division," said Mr. Slade.

"An application for an injunction

## NIGHT DENS COST MAN ON LEAVE £10 IN TWO DAYS

SERVICE MEN on leave in London, described to a reporter how they were inveigled into visiting Soho "gold-digging dens" and were parted from most of their money.

It is the touting for these dens, masquerading as night clubs and bottle parties, that social workers want made a criminal offence.

A Scottish corporal's experiences were typical of the stories the men told.

"During the first two days I was in London touts took me to dens that must have cost me over £10," he said.

## Reopened

"You can get beer there all night, you can dance, there are girls; you will have a wonderful time, a tout told a friend and myself in the street—and he propelled us round the corner."

"We paid 6s. entrance fee, and went down to a basement."

"A waiter served us with 'near beer' at 1s. 6d. a glass."

"We danced with a couple of the hostesses and had to buy them cocktails which looked like coloured water."

"The girls brought us some real beer when we complained

about the stuff we had been given. They danced languidly, and seemed interested only when some new opportunity presented itself for them to make us spend money."

## Carried Out

"Some people were getting rather drunk, and a girl was carried out."

"My mate and I were still not very thrilled with the proceedings, and told the girls so."

"Ah, if you want some real fun, you have to come upstairs," my hostess told me, and asked for money. Then we decided it was time to go."

## INTERMENT OF SPECIALIST

Dr. Wilhelm Karo, a German medical specialist and authority on homeopathy, of Ladbroke-gardens, London, was taken by Scotland Yard detectives to a clearing centre to await transfer to an internment camp.

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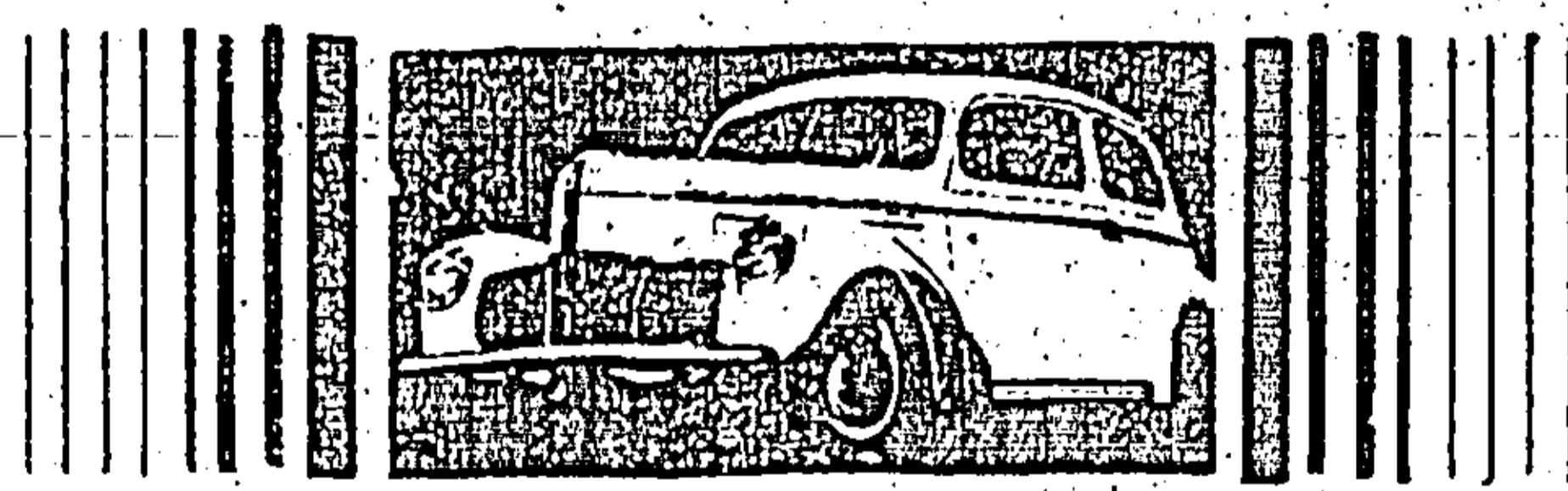
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# "HEAVEN-SENT MISSION" OF MAJOR

MAJOR ALFRED WINTLE, M.C. — "the major in the Tower" — was said at his court-martial in London to have believed that he had a "heaven-sent mission" to save the French Fleet and Air Force for the Allied cause.

It was alleged that, without authority, he tried to get a plane to take him to Bordeaux, and that, failing to get the plane, he threatened to shoot Air Commodore A. R. Boyle during an interview at the Air Ministry.

The air commodore, in reporting the interview to a high official of the War Office, wrote:

When he reported to my office, he was obviously in a very unbalanced state of mind, and said that he felt it was his mission in life to save the French Fleet and Air Force for the use of this country.

He alone could work the oracle, as he knew everybody in the French Government, and they all were devoted to him.

I said he would only cross lines, and make it more difficult, if he did this sort of thing, and told him that in no circumstances whatever would I agree to his getting passage in an aircraft, and that if he felt that he had this heaven-sent mission he should get authority from the War Office, with whom he was serving.

Wintle was, as you may know, formerly attached to this department (the Air Ministry).

I will not go fully into the very unattractive details of our interview because the man was obviously not fully in possession of his faculties.

But I hope you will take steps to restrain the officer, invading Hendon airfield and demanding facilities to go to Bordeaux or any other place unless he has got the highest permission to do so.

I do not want to do any harm to Wintle's career, but he must be told that there are other jobs of work to be done without being regrettably rude and undisciplined to senior officers, apart from the irregularity of trying to pretend at Hendon that he had a special mission to perform in going to Bordeaux.

## Shooting Threat

Later, in making a fuller report on the interview, Air Commodore Boyle described how Major Wintle threatened to shoot him.

Major Wintle pleaded not guilty to three charges:

1.—Feigning infirmity, in pretending to a medical officer that he was suffering from defective vision in the right eye;

2.—Assaulting Air Commodore Boyle, and

3 (as an alternative to the second charge).—Committing conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline.

It is alleged that he produced a pistol at the Air Ministry, and threatened to shoot himself and Air Commodore Boyle, and said words to the effect that certain Ministers and all officers of the R.A.F. above the rank of group captain and most senior Army officers ought to be shot.

Air Commodore Boyle said that after he had told Major Wintle, "I don't like this theatrical nonsense," he put the pistol in his holster.

It was not suggested that there was any violence.

Major-General T. G. G. Hayward, formerly military attache in Paris, said that Major Wintle was under his orders for about three and a half years, and was an able and intelligent officer.

"There is no man I would like better by my side if I were in a tight corner."

## Hid Bad Sight

The prosecution said that Major Wintle pretended when his eyes were tested that he had very defective vision, but later admitted to Colonel Mackenzie of the War Office Medical Board that he had "consciously limited his vision" because he wanted to get out of the Army to join the French Army.

The defence said that Major Wintle's sight was, in fact, very defective, though he had for years concealed this from the Army authorities.

At the interview with Colonel Mackenzie, when he had a reading test, his sight was classed as "almost normal," in so far as the right eye was concerned. (It was

known to the authorities that the major was blind in the left eye due to a Great War wound.)

The defence declared that the medical authorities were deceived at the second examination—not the first—and that the major managed to pass the reading test largely because he had memorised the figures he was expected to read.

He had seen the reading card in the waiting-room.

Major Wintle, according to his counsel, Mr. J. D. Casswell, K.C., was "deadly keen" to get on "really active service." He wanted to fight the Germans, and did not want to continue with duties which kept him out of the combat zone.

He was brought up in France until he went to the Royal Military Academy. He could probably talk French much better than English, and had such a knowledge of the French that they were far more ready to impart their secrets to him than to any man they regarded as a foreigner.

## Knew 600 Officers

For four years, until 1935, he was attached to the French Staff College as an instructor and he knew intimately no fewer than 600 French officers, many of whom held important positions in the French Air Force.

"The major," said Mr. Casswell, "rightly or wrongly thought that he was the man who might be able to influence the French to send a few squadrons to England.

"Every plane wrested from the hands of the Germans and brought to England meant we had two to the good. There are officers who think that the major, above all other people, was in a position to bring that about."

Mr. Casswell said that after being given information — while he was doing liaison work in France — by French officers, who had confidence in him, Major Wintle obtained an interview with Sir Edmund Ironside.

It was "a fairly lengthy" interview because, at that time Major



Akim Tamiroff, with his customary brilliance, appears as a rugged hunter in Paramount's "Untamed," Technicolor drama at the Queen's Theatre.

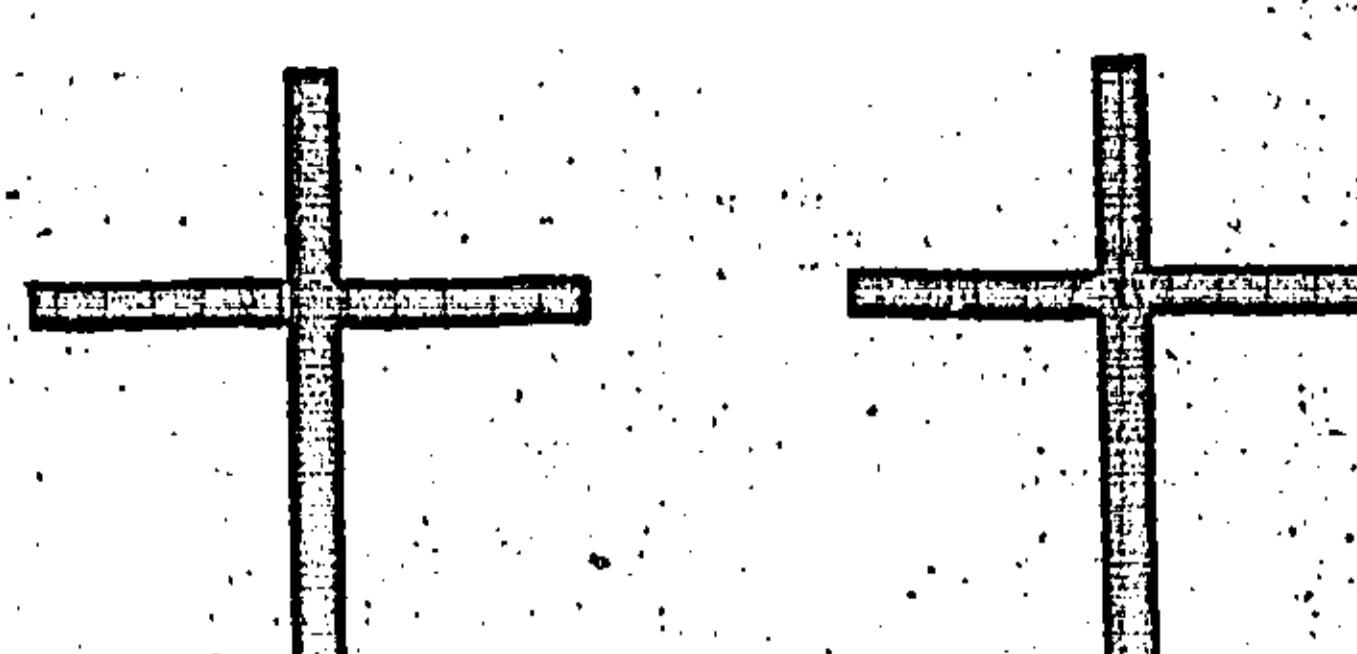
## CENSUS OF FARM CONTRACTORS

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Wintle was terribly anxious about what was going to happen if the Germans advanced.



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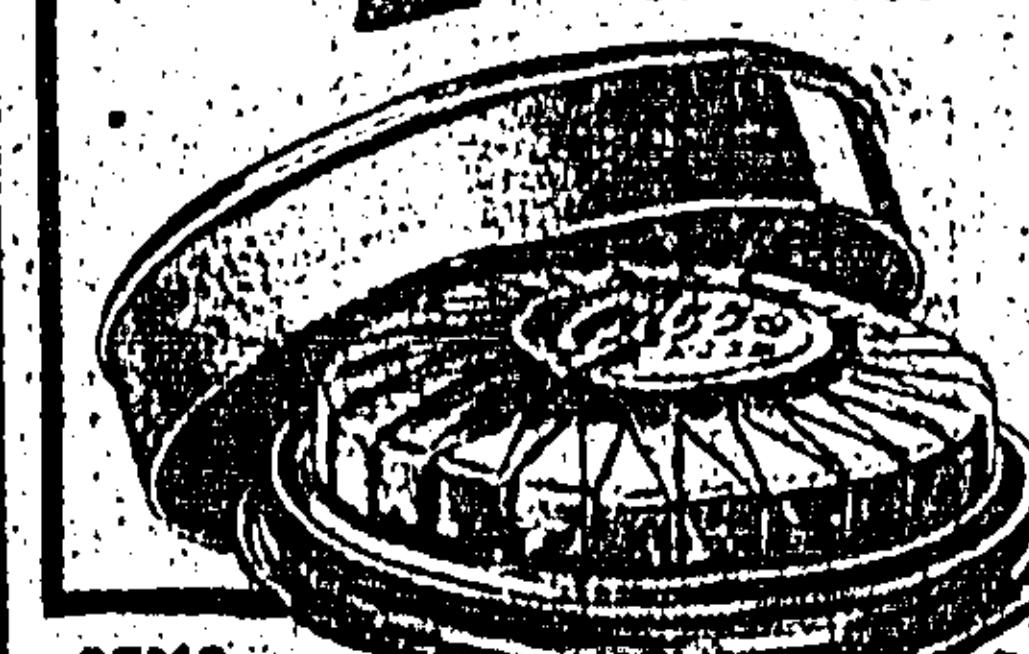
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"West led the Ace of hearts, and South ruffed. Declarer banged down the trump Ace, and ruffed a club in dummy.

Then South led the King of hearts, a heart ruff followed; and then a low spade to East's King. East returned a low club to South's King. South had to finesse since the hearts could never be brought in.

The finesse lost, of course; and maybe your readers would like to say what South's crime was."

We can't take this challenge lying down, can we? Spot South's crime for yourself before going on.

"South's crime," analyses Mr. Bayly with 100% accuracy "consisted in banging down the trump Ace. South should first ruff a club in dummy and ruff a low heart with the Jack of trumps. When both opponents follow, the contract is won."

"South next leads the four of trumps, East taking his King and returning a diamond. South puts up the diamond Ace and leads the five of trumps to dummy's nine. The heart King is followed by a low heart ruffed by South's Queen of spades. Declarer then leads the six of spades to dummy's ten, and the three remaining hearts give him all the tricks he needs."

Just for a clincher, however, we must point out that West's opening lead was a crime all by itself.

Yesterday your side was vulnerable, and you held the following hand as dealer:

♦ A K 9 5  
♥ A Q  
♦ A K 10 3  
♣ A 10 8

What bid did you make?

ANSWER: Bid three no-trump. Such an opening bid is a mild slam try since it discloses an enormously powerful hand, without, however, a long suit.

Score 100% for three no-trump. 50% for two no-trump. 40% for two diamonds or two spades. 0 for any other bid.

**QUESTION NO. 537**

To-day you are Howard Schenker's partner and, with both sides vulnerable, you hold:

♦ 10 7 3 2  
♥ 6  
♦ 9 10 7 3 2  
♣ J 10 8

The bidding:  
Jacoby Yes Durables Bobcats  
1 2 Pass 2 2 Pass  
2 3 Pass 3 3 Pass  
3 4 Pass Pass

What do you lead? (Answer tomorrow.)

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Walter Pidgeon, Joan Bennett and Lloyd Nolan are the principals involved in this scene from Walteranger's "The House Across the Bay," the new feature attraction now playing an engagement at the King's Theatre.

**EGGS, RUM FOR THE DUCHESS' HAIR**

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Before leaving for Nassau, Forrest said: "My duties will be to arrange the Duchess's hair three times daily and at intervals give her a special shampoo which consists of the yolk of five eggs and two jiggers of rum."

The Duchess sent an SOS to Antoine, who lives in New York, professionally attended since leaving Lisbon, Portugal.

**LOST LIFE TO SAVE BIBLES**

The loss of a Chaplain-to-the-Forces on the Lancastria because of his wish to save a crateful of Bibles is a reminder that soldiers often treasure the Bibles presented to them when they enlist. A Bible issued to a soldier in 1909 went with him to Ireland, India, through the third Afghan War, Palestine, Egypt, then home back to Egypt, again to Ireland, then home, Gibraltar, Turkey, and Malta, when he was discharged in 1935. A much-travelled Prayer Book went in 1911 to Ireland through the Great War, then in a Prison Camp in Germany, to Belgium, Malta, Egypt, Palestine, India, the N.W. Frontier Campaign and back home. A distinguished V.C. hero of the Mutiny in 1857 had a Prayer Book among his belongings when he died 40 years later. It had travelled with him round the world. Many passages in the Book of Psalms were scored deeply by pencil marks. They were his support in the dark days of the Mutiny.

as she had not had her hair professionally attended since leaving Lisbon, Portugal.

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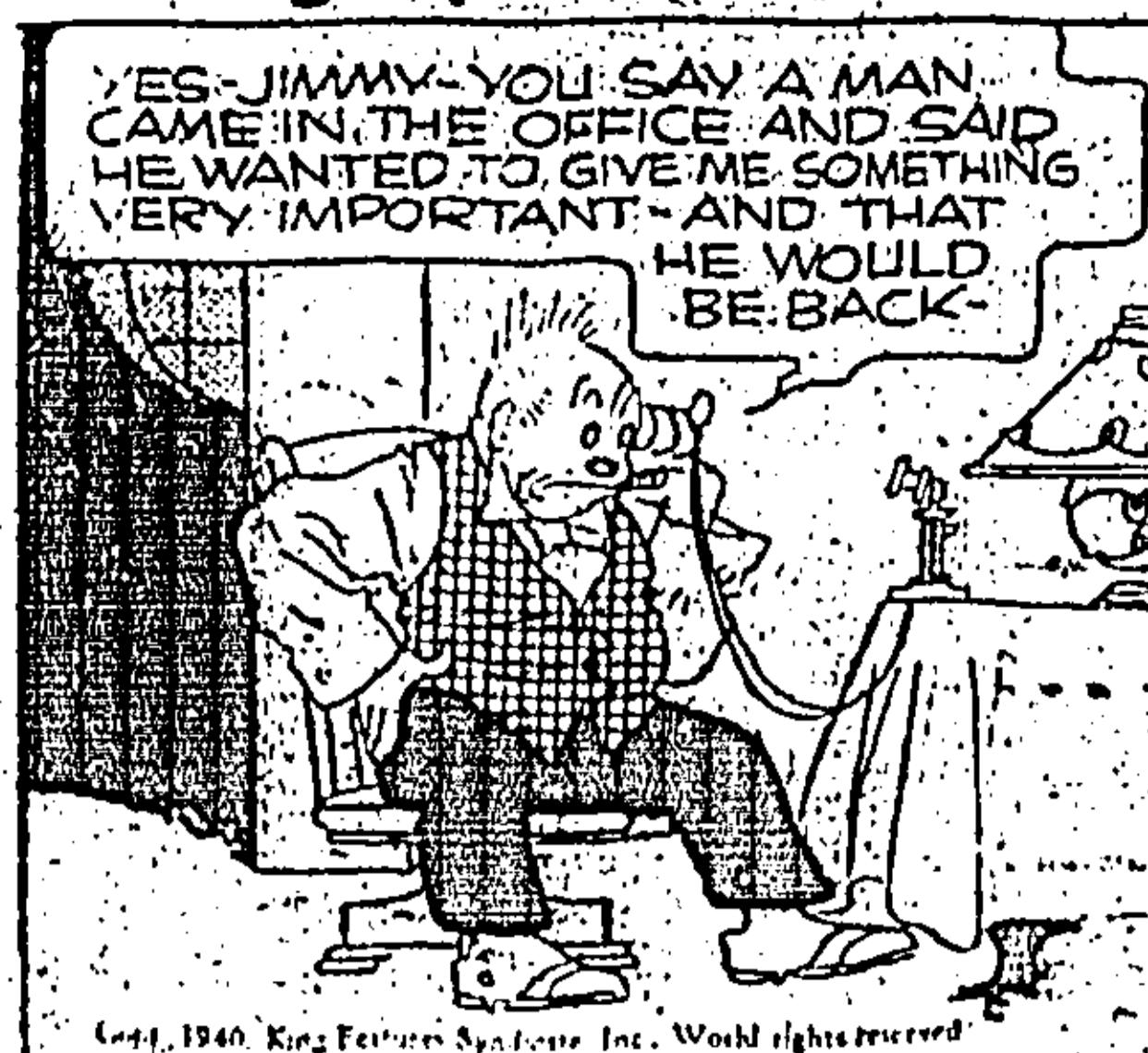


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## Bring Up Father



By George MacManus

# A PAGE FOR WOMEN Do Not Sacrifice Femininity

You probably will sigh and say it is an old story when I warn business girls to hold on to their femininity and not let a war or their career rob them of their rightful heritage. The battle of the sexes has been raging ever since Eve and every man or woman who writes has taken it for a theme at least once. But I am convinced that those who work outside the home can well pause to consider how good a trump is feminine loveliness.

During these days and years of keen competition we are likely to grow hard—which is the biggest mistake a woman can make. We who work must vie with capable men and women, and some who are not so capable but who are favoured. We must stick up for our rights; we cannot let anyone step on us. That competition tends to make us bold and callous unless we watch out.

## Use Your Heritage

So much can be gained by working the feminine angle. By that I do not mean that we should flirt with the boss or pull a faint when things get tough. No indeed: If we are working we must be intelligent and strong, but when situations arise which irritate us we should use our heritage to gain our ends. Instead of losing our temper we should discuss the circumstances calmly and sensibly. And instead of acting tough we should be so gracious that those who are criticising or hurting us will slink away in shame. It can be done.

Just because we do work which was once considered the work of men, we need not be masculine. She who enters her place of business nicely groomed, pleasantly and appropriately dressed, and acts within its walls with as much poise and tact as she would use in a selected social group, will gain her ends and win admiration all along the line. She will have to be firm at times and discriminating, but she need never be rude, loud, sarcastic, hard-boiled or mean. And the type of woman in business who is likened to a female dog, usually ends up on the end of a limb with no person willing to come to her aid. It doesn't take long for both sexes to get her number, so to speak.

If we embrace a career let's embrace it with dignity. Let us, as a group, show men that women



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can be careerists and still not sacrifice their womanly charm. Just as we charm our fathers, our husbands, our beaus, our sons or brothers with characteristics they respect and adore, so let us charm those with whom we work.

A charming lady will always be treated with dignity, but a tough-baby will be treated as a tough-baby and it is she who casts doubt in men's minds whether a woman can be successful out of the home and still be the most desirable wife or mother. Many women

to-day must work because they have no one to depend upon for a living, or because others are depending upon them for livings. Other women work at careers for the joy of accomplishing something. All of us have a trust to remain desirable as mates and desirable as friends. The Creator made two sexes and the feminine sex was endowed with softness and loveliness as weapons against man's less admirable characteristics. If we sacrifice those, gifts the world is bound to suffer.

## AVENGING DEAD GIRLS

The fate of two Jamaican girl students has brought many of their friends and relatives into Britain's armed forces.

They are anxious to fight against the Nazis, who were responsible for the girls' deaths. Four years ago the two girls left their homes in the West Indies and came to England to study music. Their studies finished, they made

preparations for their return.

But their boat struck a German mine and the bodies of the two girls and their boy companion were later washed ashore.

News travels. Friends and relatives in Jamaica heard of the tragedy and vowed vengeance. Already 63 Jamaicans have landed in England to join up; every one of them anxious for a chance to avenge the deaths.

Several are now in the Air Force.



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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—Songs by Turner Layton at the Piano.

12.40 p.m.—Victor Silvester and His Ballroom Orchestra.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.02 p.m.—Mendelssohn—Concerto in E Minor, Op. 64. Fritz Kreisler (Violin) and the State Opera Orchestra.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Dance Music.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.02 p.m.—Variety, with Moon and Bentley, Ethel Waters, The Mill Brothers, Elsie and Doris Waters, Alec Templeton, The Andrews Sisters, Arthur Askey, Florence Desmond, and Sandy Powell.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

7.15 p.m.—London Relay—Topical Talks.

7.30 p.m.—Peter Dawson, (Base-Bartone) and the Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.02 p.m.—Richard Tauber (Tenor) and The New Mayfair Orchestra.

8.35 p.m.—Coleridge-Taylor—Three Dream Dances. London Palladium Orchestra conducted by Clifford Greenwood.

8.45 p.m.—Studio—Local Newsletter.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentaries.

9.30 p.m.—Light Opera Selections.

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# SAPPER FAVOURED ONCE AGAIN TO BEAT FAR VIEW OVER THE MILE DISTANCE

(By "Rapier")

THE SECOND DAY of the Eighth Extra Race Meeting will commence to-day at 2 p.m. and there are eight events, the most important of which is the Double Tenth Plate. It is a handicap event for China ponies with Eve of Harvest, winner of the October Handicap last Saturday, barred.

**YUNNAN HANDICAP (FIRST SECTION): ABOUT 1 MILE 151 YARDS.**

The opening event will be contested by "C" Class China ponies (First section), and among the entries I think the winner will come from one of the following:

Hillsboro Bay (Mr. Needa), Taxing Master (Mr. Tao), Strathbannock (Mr. Black).

Thirty Six (Mr. Hearne).

Hillsboro Bay ran quite well in the Island Bay Handicap (First section) over six furlongs under Mr. Treverton to come second to Resisting Time, the winner, and as it will be ridden by Mr. Needa to-day its chance of winning is rated high. Taxing Master, which was third in this same race, may extend it as the distance suits this pony better than the former sprint event. Strathbannock, which caused a sensation at the last meeting, may still have a say over this distance and will probably extend the above two ponies. Thirty Six is good over this distance, and it will not surprise me if it causes an upset here. I nominate Hillsboro Bay to win with Taxing Master second and Strathbannock third and Thirty Six as the outsider.

**CANBERRA PLATE: ONE MILE**

This race is confined to Australian Subscription ponies of this Season, winners of \$500 or more in stakes barred. Weight 145 lbs. 2 lb. penalty for every \$100 or part thereof won in stakes.

Catterick Bridge and Warrego River, although entered, will be debarred as both of them have won over the stipulated amount. Judging from the remaining entries it would appear that the following are undoubtedly the best.

Grand Allegiance (Mr. Pih), Perola d'Oriente (Mr. Wei), Princess Claro (Mr. Liang), Venus Bay (Mr. Needa).

**YUNNAN HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION): ABOUT 1 MILE 151 YARDS.**

This is the second section of the race for "C" Class China ponies, and amongst the entries I like Galveston Bay (Mr. Needa) the best. This pony is quite fit at the moment. There is Boolat Bay to be reckoned with, however, and if taken out by an experienced jockey it should not be disregarded as it is quite capable of winning. Jene Doe (Mr. Tang) disappointed the last time it came out, but will probably do better to-day with a change of jockey. Victoria (Mr. Pih) was another disappointment at the last meeting but if it can produce some of its form at morning gallops it should be somewhere near at the finish. I nominate Galveston Bay to win, with Boolat Bay second and Jane Doe third.

**HUNAN HANDICAP (SECOND SECTION): 1-1/4 MILES**

This is the second leg of the "Daily Double," and the winner should come from the following:

Piet Hein (Mr. Wei), Gold Coin (Mr. Liang), Valorous (Mr. Hearne), Bressay.

Piet Hein was very near when it ran last time, although it was unplaced, but over this longer distance, and with a change of jockey, it should redeem itself as the distance suits it very well. Gold Coin is capable of extending it as this pony is good over this distance. Valorous was second to This Time last Saturday over the sprint distance and will probably give the above two ponies a good fight. Bressay, if handled by a hard riding jockey, should not be disregarded as this pony is liable to cause an upset here. I nominate Piet Hein to win with Gold Coin second and Valorous third.

**KATOOMBA HANDICAP: ABOUT 1 MILE 151 YARDS**

"C" Class Australian ponies will figure in this event. Brown Derby (Mr. Black), which won the Gosford Handicap when it dead-heated with Income Tax, has been penalised by 10 lbs. but as the pony is very fit at the moment I don't think this extra weight will deter it from winning again. There is, however, Centre Court (Mr. Sung) to be reckoned with. This pony is good enough to win. Bredon, if again

## Rapier's Selections For To-Day

Race No. 1  
HILLSBORO BAY  
TAXING MASTER  
STRATHBANNOCK  
Outsider:—Thirty Six.

Race No. 2  
VENUS BAY  
PEROLA D'ORIENTE  
GRAND ALLEGIANCE  
Outsider:—A Good Time.

Race No. 3  
MOUNT HOPE BAY  
DISTINCTIVE TIME  
EVE OF HEAVEN  
Outsider:—Craigavon.

Race No. 4  
EVE OF PEACE  
SUNLIGHT VIEW  
EVE OF HUNTING  
Outsider:—Portrush.

Race No. 5  
SAPPER  
FAR VIEW  
BAFFIN BAY  
Outsider:—Viceroy.

Race No. 6  
GALVESTON BAY  
BOOLAT BAY  
JANE DOE  
Outsider:—Silver Wings.

Race No. 7  
PIET HEIN  
GOLD COIN  
VALOROUS  
Outsider:—Bressay.

Race No. 8  
CENTRE COURT  
BROWN DERBY  
BREDON  
Outsider:—Piccadilly Jim.

DAILY DOUBLE: — SAPPER AND PIET HEIN.

ridden by Mr. Chattey, will have 5 lbs. allowance, but as the distance is against it I think the best it can do is to place again. Piccadilly Jim (Mr. Poy), although it ran unplaced the last time out, should not be disregarded as this pony is better over a longer distance. For a long shot I suggest keeping Shuttlecock (Mr. Hearne) in mind as it is very lightly treated and should be near at the finish.

## 1940 FORM GUIDE

Following is the 1940 second half form guide at the Valley:

### China Ponies

1/2 Mile 155 Yards

1.04.4—Conquering Time (Wei, 148); 2, Blue Diamond (Lee, 142); 3, Hopeful Star (Hearne, 161). 2 und. 1/2 7th E.

1.08.4—West Lake (Chao, 150); 2, Sunlight View (Pih, 168); 3, Portrush (Chang, 159) and Eve of Hunting (Wood, 153). 1/2 and dead heat. 8th E (1).

1.10.0—This Time (Wei, 168); 2, Valorous (Hearne, 145); 3, Double Chance (Chao, 168). Short head and 2. 8th E (1).

1.26.1—Resisting Time (Wei, 158); 2, Hillsboro Bay (Treverton, 150); 3, Taxing Master (Tao, 161). 3 and 1. 7th E.

1.28.3—Strathbannock (Treverton, 148); 2, Rose Queen (P. Botelho, 153); 3, Advancing Time (Chao, 162). Short head and short head. 7th E.

1.54.3—Gay Star (Tao, 166); 2, Rose Emily (Poy, 144); 3, Conquering Time (Wei, 154). 1 and 1. 8th E (1).

1.57.1—Peaceful View (Pih, 142); 2, King Kong (Needa, 154); 3, Expansion Time (Wei, 140). Neck and 1/2. 8th E (1).

2.00.3—Eve of Dancing (Wood, 152); 2, Eve of Peace (Barrow, 147); 3, Patricia (Ho, 147). 6 and 2. 8th E (1).

## SAPPERS DO WELL IN DEBUT MATCH

By "Grandstand"

IN THE OPENER of last Sunday's twin bill, the South China nine nosed out the Sappers by the odd run in five, in an interesting pre-season tussle.

Considering that this was the Sappers' first attempt at softball, they put up a very creditable performance against the strong South China side, which had in their line-up most of their baseballers, augmented by former Forum ace hurler Bill Quon, and second-sacker Tommy Young.

Two double-killings were made, by the Chinese, the first when Cecil "Sparks" Winglee shagged Lowe's fly, and tossed out Heath at first, and again in the fifth, when Harper ran on Taylor's field pop, and was run down by Quon, Ng and Winglee.

The Sappers were content with only one double play, on a Heath to Pecham to Welford play to snuff out Smally Pang and Tommy Young.

In the second encounters, the Indians overwhelmed the Chung Hwa squad, in a twelve to six old-fashioned hitting spree, in which A. K. Omar clouted the only round-tripper and longest hit of the day. A. R. Abbas, Oscar Arculli, and Madeen "Slim" Arculli also banged triples to pile up the Indian score; and, with the exception of utilityman Ismail Ali, every Indian was good for a hit.

Nazarin hurled for the Indians and walked three to Al Lau's one. No strike-outs were recorded. Out-hitting the Chinese 17 blows to five, the Indians made the most of their mighty willow-wielding.

### Bad Start

Chung Hwa started badly and only made one run on two hits and one Indian miscue, but, in the third ran riot over the Indians when they chalked up five markers after P. F. Choy had started the ball rolling with a bunt which caught first-sacker Hamet flat-footed.

A double-killing by Omar to Abbas to Hamet crushed the Chung Hwa rally, and left the Indians trailing six to four.

The Indians weren't taking the game seriously, apparently, as they made wholesale changes in players and positions at this critical stage of the game, and appeared to be trying out different combinations.

In the last stanza the Indian guns barked again, and cinched the game with four tallies in as many blows.

On the whole the Chinese played a spiritless game, the need for a spark-plug in the team being more evident than ever. P. F. Choy was the only one who showed any fight and made two safeties in his four trips to the plate, whilst Richard Chung, Al Lau and Chan also connected. A Lau, relieving Choy on the mound in the first, was content to toss them in without endeavouring to place the ball, and was hit all over the place.

### TODAY'S TRYOUT

At 10.30 a.m. to-day, the Wahoos will meet the Baby Panthers in a friendly game, which will be a tryout for both sides. The Wahoos, it is learned, have acquired the services of the former Ball Club battery of Thelma Colaco and Cynthia "Sailor" Motta, which should end the older worries. Baby Panthers' season are stronger than ever and Manager Cesario "Donald Duck" Xaxier is confident that his team will take the Wahoos' stock and barrel.

### Australian Ponies

1/2 Mile 155 Yards

2.05.1—Portrush (Sequeira, 152); 2, Sunlight View (Ho, 156); 3, Eve of Hunting (Wood, 158). 1/2 and 3. 7th E.

2.07.4—March Brown (Cooper, 154); 2, Double Chance (Young Wing-kwai, 156); 3, Gold Coin (K. F. Chiu, 148). 4 and 6. 7th E.

1/4 Miles

2.20.1—Eve of Harvest (Black, 157); 2, O-Lan (Needa, 156); 3, Craigavon (Pih, 158). 2 and 1/2. 8th E (1).

1/2 Mile

2.20.3—A Green Time (Proulx, 152); 2, Tarzan (Wei, 156); 3, Hitz (Black, 145). 2 and 1/2. 7th E.

1/2 Furlongs

1.17.0—Viceroy (Black, 160); 2, Springhurst (Poy, 140); 3, Pumpernickel (Tao, 147) and Rowan (Hearne, 155). 1/2 and 1. 7th E.

One Mile

1.47.1—Brown Derby (Black, 152); 2, Income Tax (Wei, 160); 3, Bredon (Chattey, 155). Dead heat and 4. 7th E.

1/4 Mile

2.12.0—Australian Diamond (Wei, 154); 2, Many Thanks (Black, 151); 3, Conkleber (Hearne, 152). Many and 4. 7th E.

1/2 Furlongs

2.13.2—Springhurst (Poy, 143); 2, Rowan (Hearne, 155); 3, Murrumbidgee (Black, 147). Short head and 2. 8th E (1).

SATURDAY

1st XI v Kumaons (4.15 p.m.); Benwell; Jordan and Yourie; Kempton, Ure and Waldron; Smith, Gemmill, Taylor, Dunn and Highlands.

2nd XI v R.E. — Fishlock; Killeen and Saxby; Spencelayh, Gorman and Heptonstall; Mace, Dorner, Gilchrist, Grant and Ireson.

### Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY TEAMS

The following will represent the Y.M.C.A. in hockey matches at King's Park:

### TO-DAY

"A" XI v Middlesex (6 p.m.); Fishlock; Heptonstall and Saxby; Grant; Tomlinson and Gorman; Mace, Smith, Colledge, A. N. Other, Highlands.

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# FIRST CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH THIS AFTERNOON

## Chinese Have Good Side And Should Win Easily Lee Wai-Tong On Sick List?

By "Referee"

**THE FIRST REPRESENTATIVE** charity football match of the season will be played this afternoon on the Club ground at 4.30 p.m. between Combined Chinese and the Rest of the Colony in aid of the British Fund for the Relief of Distress in China.

Chinese have chosen the best team available and should win easily while the Rest team is mainly composed of players who played in representative games last season, being particularly strong in defence, where Williamson will fill the centre-half berth.

Moxham, of Engineers, the Interport goalkeeper, who is playing as well as ever, will be seen between the sticks with Blackburn and Sheehan as backs. It is expected that Sheehan will not be turning out as he has been playing in the intermediate line for the Middlesex and feels he may not do justice to the team by reverting to his old position.

### Speedy Wingers

Wilkinson, of Middlesex, and Honeywell, of Navy are the wing halves, and they will have a trying time against Cheung Yung-sun and Hau Ching-to, the speedy Chinese wingers.

Should these halves be able to check the wingers much of the sting of the Chinese attack will be taken away.

The Rest forward line is good individually, but there is likely to be a lack of combination and understanding, as is only natural. Fowler will lead the attack with

### FOOTBALL MEETING

## NO BURMA TEAM FOR COLONY

Several important decisions were made at the monthly meeting of the Council of the Hong Kong Football Association held yesterday under the chairmanship of Mr. Wong Ka Tsun.

It was revealed at this meeting that Sing Tao Sports Club were not affiliated to the Federation.

South China asked for a ruling as to what power the Federation had of suspending any footballer of a club not a member of the Federation.

It was pointed out that the action of the Federation with regards to any of its affiliates was not binding on the Association.

Mr. Moh King pointed out that the Federation had power to select or invite players from clubs not affiliated to the Federation and any suspension they meted out was only as far as the Federation was concerned.

Considerable discussion arose out of the procedure for the selection of the Chinese team to represent the Federation in the Governor's Cup game.

It was decided that the Federation be permitted to choose the Chinese team from all Clubs affiliated with the Association, even though they were not members of the Federation.

An application from the Federation for permission to invite the Burma Chinese Football team during November was rejected. It was pointed out that the Association had turned down an application from the Burma Football Association recently owing to the converted state of the latter in November and December.

An application from the Chinese Amateur Athletic Association for admission to the Association was deferred.

advantage of weight and height, but will have to be quick on the ball to get through the Chinese defence.

B. Gosano of Kwong Wah, will be in his natural element on the right wing, but the most amazing selection in the Rest team is that of Woods, Royal Scots, for the left wing berth.

Woods played a very good game on the right wing for the Battalion against South China recently and unless the selection Committee have some inside information it is hardly fair to expect much of Woods in his first representative game, in a strange position.

It is hoped that Lee Wai-tong, who has been indisposed, will have recovered, as his presence means a lot to Charity!

Chan Tak-fai is still suffering from an injury but will turn out.

The game will be handled by S/Sgt. Foster, assisted by Rev. S. Hinchcliffe and Mr. K. K. Ip.

### The Teams

**COMBINED CHINESE**—Cheung Wing-chai (Sing Tao); Tsang Chung-wan (South China), Lee Tin-sang (Sing Tao); Lau Hing-chol (South China), Iusu King-sing (Eastern), Soong Ling-sing (Sing Tao); Chung Yung-sum (Eastern), Cheung Kam-hoi (Eastern), Chan Tak-fai (South China), Lee Wai-tong (South China) and Hau Ching-to (Eastern).

Reserves:—Lau Hin-hon (Eastern), Hau Yung-sang (Sing Tao), Kwok Ying-ki (Sing Tao), Lo Wal-kuen (Eastern), Lau Chi-chan (Eastern), Wong Man-kwai (Police), Lai Shiu-wing (Sing Tao), Wong King-chung (Kwong Wah) and Cheuk Shek-kam (Kwong Wah).

Manager:—Mr. Sze Po-wai. "REST" — Moxham (Engineers); Blackburn (Police) and Sheehan (Middlesex); Honeywell (Navy), Williamson (Kowloon), Wilkinson (Middlesex); B. Gosano (Kwong Wah), Howlett (Police), Fowler (Club), O'Regan (Navy) and Woods (Royal Scots).

Reserves:—Freshwater (Middlesex), Hendy (Navy) and Leonard (St. Joseph's).

Manager:—Mr. W. E. Hollands.

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# SHANGHAI PANIC

## Selling Wave Hits The Share Market Severely Calm Gives Way To Alarm

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

CONSIDERABLE EXCITEMENT HAS TAKEN THE PLACE OF THE EARLIER CALM IN SHANGHAI IN CONNECTION WITH THE REQUEST TO AMERICANS TO EVACUATE CHINA.

More than 200 applications for passages have already been filed with the American President Line despite the fact that all liners are booked up till December.

In case evacuation is really ordered, special ships will probably be ordered to Shanghai to take away 3,000 Americans.

In the meantime, hints that the U.S. Marines may be withdrawn from China have increased the uneasiness of the average Shanghai sailor.

This has also found expression in the stock market where the situation was described as "pandemonium" and stocks were selling by the bushel.

The Chinese dollar went up and only the buying of cheap U.S. dollars by the big banks stopped the trend.

### Panic In Shares

The panic on the stock exchange was not due to short selling but to genuine liquidation by big and small businessmen who feared British and American concerns would be seized by the Japanese.

The slump was particularly heavy on popular shares like Wheelock, Ewo, Telephones, Yangtze and finance. — Havas.

### Tense Air

Reuter says a tense air of suppressed excitement hung over Shanghai as local American residents discussed possible evacuation of the city following the dramatic announcement from Washington that the American consulate in Shanghai would shortly issue a formal circular advising 3,000 Americans in the Shanghai district to leave China unless they had urgent business.

It is pointed out that any immediate wholesale evacuation of Americans from China is out of the question as the necessary vessels are not available. All American President Line vessels are fully booked up for the next three months.

However it is believed that in the event of an emergency

the U.S. Maritime Commission would send vessels to Far East waters for the evacuation of Americans.

The evacuation news caused pandemonium on the Shanghai stock exchange in the morning when stocks and shares were dumped regardless of price, with the result that record losses were established in many issues.

### RULE BROKEN

The Air Ministry in London broke a hitherto stringent rule last night.

It issued full details of six German aircraft and their markings, number and the names of the crew, where identifiable, together with the place where the machines were shot down on Tuesday, in order to refute the German allegation that only three German machines were shot down.

The Air Ministry state that German High Command communiques most always contain an untrue statement on enemy air losses. — Reuter.

### PALESTINE TO JOIN CONFERENCE

It was announced in Jerusalem yesterday that Palestine will be represented at the Eastern Group Conference at New Delhi on October 25 called to devise measures for the co-ordination of war supplies in the British Commonwealth east of Suez. — Reuter.

### BRITAIN IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH TURKEY

The British Government was in close touch with the Turkish Government on all matters of mutual concern, including the position in Syria, declared Mr. R. A. Butler, answering a Commons question yesterday. — Reuter.

### ITALIANS MOVE-OUT AND BACK AGAIN

An Italian force on Tuesday moved eastwards in the Bir Enba area, south of Sidi Barrani, it was stated in Cairo yesterday.

It consisted of a column of motor transport escorted by light tanks, and in the laconic terms of the communiqué "it withdrew again to its original position before dusk." — Reuter.

There is still nothing to report on other fronts, the communiqué concludes. — Reuter.

### STOP PRESS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The U.S. Secretary for Navy, Col. Frank Knox, announced yesterday that the 1,600 Marines in Shanghai, Peiping and Tientsin are not withdrawing, as reported.

The State Department announced it had instructed consuls in the Orient to furnish estimates of the number of American citizens planning to evacuate. On the basis of these estimates, it will be decided whether to despatch special ships. — International News Service.

### BRITAIN WELCOMES THE BURMA ROAD DECISION

THE DECISION of the British Government to re-open the Burma Road is welcomed throughout the British Press and it is pointed out that the decision cannot come as a surprise to Japan.

The temporary agreement, says "The Times," failed in its purpose. The public opinion which accepted it as a regrettable necessity of the time will not lament its demise.

"So far from attempting to ensure peace in China, the Japanese Government are still prosecuting their undeclared war. Nor has the agreement brought about any improvement in Anglo-Japanese relations. On the contrary, within a few days of its signature, their deterioration was marked by an inspired anti-British press campaign and by the arrest on flimsy charges of British subjects.

### Not A Peep

The "Daily Telegraph" declares that the Japanese Government has no title to make so much as a protest against the re-opening of the Burma road to China. The Japanese Government used the interval to embitter the struggle, to enter into a pact with our enemies and against the United States and ourselves.

"Neither country, as Mr. Churchill remarked, is apt to

meet threats of violence by submission and the answer should bring forth that prudence which used to govern Japanese policy."

The "News Chronicle" says "We welcome this decision, but we still say that the road should never have been closed."

The comment of the "Daily Mail" is: The re-opening of the road should cause no surprise, least of all to Japan. Japan, in fact, has asked for its re-opening. — Reuter.

### SIR HENRY HEAD DIES AT 79

Sir Henry Head, the eminent neurologist, died in London at the age of 79 yesterday from Parkinson's Disease — trembling paralysis which he fought throughout his career. — Reuter.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Double Tenth was marked in Shanghai this morning by the discovery of two hand grenades at the entrance to the printing plant of the "Chung Hua Jen Pao," Wang Ching-wei daily. One grenade exploded; no damage was caused and no-one was hurt. A suspect has been arrested. — Havas.

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### SEVERE FIGHTING

Severe fighting between Chinese and Japanese forces is said to be going on in the vicinity of Chengankwan, strategic highway pass on the Indo-China-Kwangsi border.

No details are available in Chungking. — Reuter.

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